

INSIDE: MINUTES OF JUNE 23, 2008

All Village of
Arden residents are
encouraged to at-
tend the next

Town Meeting

Monday, Sept. 22, 2008

in Gild Hall, 7:30 p.m.

2126 The Highway, Arden, Delaware

THE TOWN ASSEMBLY'S AGENDA WILL INCLUDE:

1. Approval of Assessors Report
2. Treasurer's Report of Town Expenses
3. Election of Project Administrator (New Position)

INVITED VISITORS:

Director of New Castle County Code Enforcement Group

All are welcome hither

Please note: Those attending town meetings are eligible to vote if they have resided in Arden during the six months prior to the meeting and are 18 years old or older.

THE FOLLOWING WERE IN ATTENDANCE AT
THE JUNE 23, 2008 TOWN ASSEMBLY

A total of 51 Residents attended the June Town Meeting.

Bob Andress	David Michelson	Danny Schweers
Beverly Barnett	Lisa Mullinax	Ray Seigfried
Lou Bean	David Nordheimer	Sally Sharp
Ruth Bean	Betty O'Regan	Bryon Short (NV)
Alan Burslem	Denis O'Regan	Sadie Somerville
Lizzie Broadbent	Ruth Panella	Lon Sullivan
Dale Brunbaugh	Jeff Politis	Neal Ann Stephens
John Cartier (NV)	Gary Quinton	Beth Stevenson
Marianne Cinaglia	Deborah Ricard	Debbie Theis
Mike Curtis	Peter Renzetti	William Theis
Alton Dahl	Liz Resko	Alan Threefoot
Elaine Hickey	Hugh Roberts	Steven Threefoot
Heidi Hoegger	Charles Robinson	Elizabeth Varley
Milton Isaacs	Nanette Robinson	Cecilia Vore
Rodney Jester	Shelly Robyn	Larry Walker
Lynda Kolski	Ed Rohrbach	Laura Wallace
Connec McKinney	Warren Rosenkranz	Tom Wheeler
Ron Meick	Sue Rothrock	

VILLAGE OF ARDEN MINUTES OF TOWN MEETING JUNE 23, 2008

CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was Called to Order by Town Chairman Steven Threefoot at 7:40 PM at the Gild Hall.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the June 23, 2008 Town Meeting were corrected, and Approved with the corrections.

NEW RESIDENTS IN ATTENDANCE

There were no new residents in attendance.

RECOGNITION OF THE DEPARTED

Frank Harrison was the oldest resident at the time he died. His barbershop was located in the building with the Sub Shop. He had great stories from the 1920s and 1930s about life in Arden, and he told many people about the history of their houses.

Alice Vandever was the oldest resident at 97 years at the time she died in early June. She came to Arden when her father became the Stationmaster at the B & O Railroad Station at Harvey Road.

Ruth Bischoff of Ardentown died, and she was active in community life of the three Ardens.

There was a moment of silence to remember these former residents.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITOR

Bryon Short, our State Representative, wanted to notify Arden residents that there have been several young men going door-to-door selling magazines, DVDs, and other things. This was a scam, and he sent out a notice to his e-mail distribution list for this District. This group was an out-of-state operation, and they had been working in other areas of NCC. Bryon said he has been working with the NCC Police to stop such activities. He hoped that all of us would watch out and help our neighbors by notifying them of this sort of scam.

Bryon said that if you wanted to get on his e-mail distribution list, a person should contact his web site to be included. The web site is more for information and activities, than for being simply political.

COMMUNICATIONS

There will be a Municipal Finance Forum to be run by the City of Wilmington and the State Treasurer, and it will be held in Dover on July 9. The topic is Municipal Street Aid, and it will be an open forum.

There will be a Meeting as a part of the Airport Noise Study Community Workshops, and it will be held at the Claymont Community Center on July 19, 2008. There will be another meeting in Cherry Hill, NJ tomorrow night. There is a web site to submit written comments to the FAA about the changes to be made to the flight patterns for the Philadelphia Airport.

There have been a series of e-mails going back and forth about the small fire set in the Sherwood Forest near the Buckingham Green earlier this month. The Safety Committee has been dealing with this issue.

The Cooperative Agreement with NCC about the HUD Program Administration includes the Town in this process, and it must be renewed on a three-year cycle. This has been received, and the Agreement will be read into the Minutes. If the Town wanted to administer this program directly, a proposal should be given to Community Planning for consideration.

REPORT OF ASSESSORS COMMITTEE

Steven reminded the Meeting Attendees of the Assessors Process. Tonight the Assessors Report will be "Read and Received" by the Assembly, and at the September Town Meeting, the Assembly will vote to "Accept" the Report. If there will be an Alternative Assessors Report, it will be brought to the September Town Meeting, and if it receives YES votes from two-thirds of the Town Assembly, the Alternative Assessment can also be sent to Referendum at the same time.

Alton Dahl presented the Assessors Report as follows:

Assessor's Report 2008

This year's Board of Assessors adopted the principle of the Community Standard of Living Method of Arden Assessment in use since 1980 as the basis for determining total land rent.

The "Community Standard of Living Method of Arden Assessment" defines total "Full Rental Value" of the leaseholds as the sum of town expenses (both "non-budget" in the form of county and school taxes, and "budget" as embodied in the town's budget), and the cost of administering the trust, while maintaining a "prudent reserve". This method divides full rental value by acreage of land held privately in leaseholds, such divisions determined by assessors' formulas. The formulas, which are intended to reflect the relative value of leaseholds, are based on lot size, zoning privileges and location factors (see rates and factors below).

A majority of the Board of Assessors continues to endorse the principles of real estate practice in the wider community, which we embody as a multi-tier evaluation of leasehold area. The "**A rate**" is the base rate, common to all leaseholds - the first 7,116 square feet, using as our unit the area of the smallest leasehold in Arden. The multiple domicile rate (the "**B rate**") is set this year at 80% of the "A rate". For each dwelling unit beyond the first, the leasehold is charged the B Rate for an additional 7,116 square feet but is not charged for more than the actual area of the leasehold. The "**C rate**" is applied to the amount of land on a leasehold not covered by the A or B rates. It is assessed at 40% of the "A rate." The "**D rate**" is the commercial rate, only applied to one leasehold. It continues at a surcharge of 75%, with no deduction for frontage on Marsh Road.

The specific location factors are as follows.

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| 1. Leaseholds adjacent to Arden or Sherwood Forests | +10% |
| 2. Leaseholds fronting on Arden or Sherwood Forest | |
| by being across the street | +5% |
| 3. Leaseholds adjacent to or fronting on a communal green | +5% |
| 4. Leaseholds adjacent to Harvey Road and/or Marsh Road | -5% |
| 5. Leaseholds having driveway access only to | |
| Harvey Road and/or Marsh Road | -5% |

Notes

1. The specific location factor charges (in dollars) to be added to or subtracted from the sum of the Base Land Rent are obtained by multiplying the Base Land Rent for the leasehold by the appropriate specific location factors as given above.
2. Leaseholds having less than a 25 foot opening to the forest will not be charged a woods factor. More than that frontage to the forest will be considered a full access and charged a full factor.

Location factors 4 and 5 are additive if both are applicable.

Based on information obtained from the Budget Committee and the Trustees, the Board of Assessors presents the following report. In order to meet the 2010 forecast expenditures of \$572,000 and to produce a prudent reserve of \$163,000, the Board of Assessors has set the "A rate" for 2009-2010 at \$208 per thousand square feet.

1) Forecast Expenditures

School & County Taxes	\$360,000
Trust Administration	49,000
Sherwood Forest Loan	16,000
Arden Town Budget	132,000
Other Expense	15,000
Total Forecast Expenditures.	\$572,000

2) Forecast Revenue

Forecast Revenue from sources other than land rent	\$38,000
Total Revenue from land rent	\$520,000
Total expected revenue.	\$558,000

3) Prudent Reserve

Expected difference between expenditures and revenue \$(14,000)	
Projected March 2009 prudent reserve	\$177,000
STarget prudent reserve projected for March 30, 2010. . .	\$163,000

THE 2008 BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Vote on Final Report

Walter Borders
 Brooke Bovard
 Alton Dahl
 Carl Falco
 Mary Marconi
 Denis O'Regan
 Alan Threefoot

Examples:**Examples of base rentals:**

<u>Lot Size (sq. ft)</u>	<u>Base Land Rent</u>
10,000	\$1,720.08
20,000	\$2,552.08
30,000	\$3,384.08
40,000	\$4,216.08

Examples of rate calculations:

1. A 20,000 sq. ft. lot containing one dwelling unit, on a village green and adjacent to a forest:

7,116 sq. ft. X \$208 / M sq. ft.	\$1,480.13
12884 sq. ft. X \$208 / M sq. ft. X 40%	\$1,071.95

Base Land Rent **\$2,552.08**

Forest Factor - \$2,552.08 / X 10%	\$255.21
Greens Factor - \$2,552.08 / X 5%	\$127.60

Total Land Rent **\$2,934.89**

2. A 30,000 sq. ft. lot containing three dwelling units and adjacent to Arden Forest:

7,116 sq. ft. X \$208 / M sq. ft.	\$1,480.13
7,116 sq. ft. X 2 X \$208 / M sq. ft. X 80%	\$2,368.20
8652 sq. ft. X \$208 / M sq. ft. X 40%	\$719.85

Base Land Rent **\$4,568.18**

Forest Factor - \$4,568.18 X 10%	\$456.82
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Total Land Rent **\$5,025.00**

Alton said that the Projection for the Prudent Reserve was \$163,000, and this was not to be considered as a firm number. It was their best estimate for an amount that might be available at a time that is almost two years away.

The Land Rent proposed will be less than last years Assessment, because the very large increases in County and School Taxes turned out not to be as large as projected.

Gary Quinton asked about Alan Threefoot not signing the Report. Alton said that he was not available at the time the others signed, but he has signed the "official" report submitted to the Assembly. Alan had a YES vote.

Mike Curtis asked about the "D Rate" for the Sub Shop and he wanted to know why the 75% Factor was chosen. Was only the portion of the leasehold used for commercial purposes billed at the "D Rate" or was the entire leasehold figured at the commercial rate? Alton said that the entire leasehold was figured at the D Rate. As for the 75% figure, it was something that was decided upon by a previous Board, and they had used assessment figures used by NCC for comparing residential properties to commercial properties of the same size. The present Board continued the practice.

Rodney Jester was concerned that the Sub Shop leasehold is charged the Commercial Rate, yet there are many Home Businesses throughout the Town that are not charged the Commercial Rate. Perhaps the Home Businesses should be charged at a rate higher than residential. Alton said that this area is zoned Commercial, and there is a lot of car traffic associated with that business. A similar business with a lot of vehicle traffic would not be allowed at another location within the Town. Since the lot is zoned commercial, there are other restrictions, and in addition, the owner has chosen to live on his commercial lot.

Jeff Politis asked about the No. 2 Factor, and Alton said that it has always been a part of the recent Assessors Reports. Jeff asked if a lot could be charge both the Factor No. 4 and Factor No. 5, and Alton said that both of those Factors could be applied. Jeff felt that the B Rate should be dropped, since it will be possible for anyone to have a second domicile. Alton disagreed, since a second domicile could only be created after applying to NCC and getting approval, plus passing the Building Code requirements.

Danny Schweers asked why Mary Marconi did not agree with the Report. Alton said that since she was out of Town, he would explain. He said that Mary has not voted YES for an Assessors Report each year she has been an Assessor, except for one time. She was in overall agreement with the substance of the Report, but she had disagreement with the way the principal domicile rate was figured. She has a very different concept of how that should be done.

Steven said that the Town Meeting now has Received the Assessors Report, and wanted everyone to thank the Assessors for their hard work. (There was hearty applause from the attendees.)

The Assessors Report was Received.

Steven again reminded everyone that if there were to be an Alternative Assessment, it should be worked on very soon, and then it should be brought to Advisory Committee in September. That would allow for a considered discussion and a solid presentation so that the Alternative could be given the appropriate consideration and deliberation of the Town Assembly. The Advisory Committee would not provide a screening function, but would work to ensure that there were adequate documents and material printed for distribution, and sufficient time allotted for discussion. It is not a requirement, but it is simply a request.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITOR (Continued)

Steven introduced John Cartier, our New Castle County Councilman for our District. John came late to the Meeting.

REPORT OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE

Alton Dahl said that he had introduced the “Proposed Policy of the Village of Arden Regarding Monetary Gifts to the Village” at the last Town Meeting, and copies had been distributed then. There are more copies available tonight. He then covered the main points of the Proposed Policy. He reminded everyone that the policy was drafted, not just with Johanna Schroeder’s Bequest in mind, but to set up a mechanism for other individuals to make a gift to the Town in the future.

Liz Resko asked if the Town might accept a gift for which there were unacceptable restrictions, or a questionable purpose. Alton said no, but in the case of Johanna’s gift, maintenance of the forests and greens was a responsibility and objective of the Town, which made acceptance of her gift appropriate. Since Johanna’s objective was to provide a long-term benefit to the Village, the funds from her Bequest will be considered as an endowment, and will be managed appropriately.

Alton talked about the election of the Project Administrator. This will be a new elected position in the Town, and it was described in Section 4.5.

Tom Wheeler spoke to Section 4.7, and he reminded everyone that Johanna Schroeder had written her Will ten years before she died. She had no idea of how long she would be in Arden, and she felt it would be premature to discuss her bequest. Tom said that it would be an awkward request to ask a person what should be done with their gift to the Town after they die. It struck him as a troublesome thing to ask. Alton said that he hoped that whenever possible, a donor might let the Town know of a future gift to the Town., but this would only be a request, not a requirement.

Beverly Barnett reminded the Assembly that the Treasurer could be either a man or a woman, for he mis-spoke referring to the person in the position as a “he.” (Lots of laughter) Alton reminded everyone that he is truly a feminist. (More laughs)

David Nordheimer commented that it is not uncommon for non-profit organizations to discuss gifts with people as they are preparing their wills. Alton said that it would depend on the person, whether or not that discussion was held.

Alton made the following Motion:

MOVED, The Village of Arden will adopt the Policy of the Village of Arden Regarding Monetary Gifts to the Village, as presented at this Meeting.

The Motion was Seconded, and Approved.

The Approved Policy is as follows:

Policy of the Village of Arden Regarding Monetary Gifts to the Village

1.0 Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to define the procedures, responsibilities and controls to be applied to the acceptance, management and use of funds given or bequeathed to the village with or without terms attached that restrict or direct their use.

Acceptance

- 2.1 If no restrictions are placed on the use of the funds the Chairman of the Town Assembly is authorized to receive the funds on behalf of the Village.
- 2.2 If the restrictions or directions for use of the funds are in line with the stated objectives of the Village and will not contravene the existing ordinances or policies of the Village, The Chairman of the Town Assembly is authorized to receive the funds on behalf of the Village. The Chairman, together with the Treasurer or Secretary of the Village is also authorized to make financial arrangements and sign documents related to accepting the funds.
- 2.3 If the restrictions or directions for use of the funds are not clearly in line with the stated objectives of the Village or might contravene the existing ordinances or policies of the Village, The Chair of the Advisory Committee will bring a motion to the next Assembly meeting proposing a plan whereby the Village could resolve the differences and receive the funds, or in case no such plan is feasible the Advisory Chair will bring a motion to decline the offered funds.

Definitions

- 3.1 Immediate Use Gift – The funds of an Immediate Use Gift will spent in their entirety as indicated in the Restriction Document.
- 3.2 Endowment Gifts – The Funds of an Endowment Gift will be invested in a way to provide a long-term annual return. Endowment Gifts must either be large enough to support investment costs and projects consistent with the Restriction Document or be joined with other existing Endowment Gifts that have a similar purpose. Endowment gifts may have no restricted purpose other than for projects in benefit of the Village of Arden.
- 3.3 Proposals – A Proposal is a request for money from an Endowment Fund by a Committee of the Village of Arden.

Management of Funds

- 4.1 Immediate Use Gift – The Committee responsible for carrying out the project specified in the restriction document will carry out the wishes of the donor and draw upon the funds using normal procedures. The Committee will send appropriate documentation of completion of the project to the Project Administrator. Any funds that remain after completion of the specified project they will be transferred to the Unrestricted Endowment Fund.
- 4.2 Fiscal Management of Restricted Endowment Funds – If the funds are to be used to provide a long-term benefit to the Village with a continuing purpose, specified in the granting document, they will be managed

by the Village Treasurer, in consultation with the Project Administrator, who will insure that funds are available to carry out the intended purpose during the time specified (one year to perpetual). It is anticipated that the Treasurer may wish to involve an investment professional to aid in this function.

- 4.3 Unrestricted Endowment – Grants to the Village without restriction will be considered as an endowment to the Village and will be managed appropriately by the Treasurer. Projects for use of these funds will be managed in the same way as restricted long-term funds.
- 4.4 Investment Guidance – In managing the investment the Treasurer will use the investment guidance adopted separately by the Village.
- 4.5 Election of Project Administrator – The Project Administrator, elected bi-annually by the Town Assembly, will provide the format and receive proposals from Town Committees for projects consistent with the fund restrictions. The Administrator will chair an ex officio committee made up of the officers of the Village of Arden. This committee will evaluate the proposals and allocate funds for the year. The Administrator will provide a format for these proposals.
- 4.6 Determining the Availability of Long Term Funds – Each year in March the Treasurer and the Project Administrator will determine the amount of money that can be spent from the Fund while maintaining the desired lifetime of the fund.
- 4.7 Prospective Donors Coordinate with Village Officials - Donors are encouraged to coordinate their wishes with both the Project Administrator and the Committee that would have primary responsibility for carrying out the terms of the Restriction Document before making final plans for a gift in order to avoid problems.

Use of Funds

- 5.1 Written Restrictions and Intention – Each donor should provide a written description of restrictions and intentions. The Project Administrator may add clarification to this description if needed to help Town Committees to submit appropriate projects. The restriction document can simply indicate that the fund should be added to the Unrestricted Endowment Fund.
- 5.2 Management of Projects – The Town Committee requesting the funds will be responsible for management of the project after funding is approved.
- 5.3 Project Completion – The responsible Town Committee will file a brief report to the Project Administrator who will maintain records of projects completed and report completion to the donor where appropriate. The Committee will also report on such projects in their quarterly report to the Town Meeting.

Recognizing Receipt of Funds

- 6.1 Reporting Receipt of Funds - The Treasurer will report the receipt of new funds to the Town Meeting for entry in the official records of the Village.
- 6.2 Thank You Notes - An officer of the Town Meeting will write an official thank you from the Village suitable for use in the donor's tax records.
7. Responsible Person Not Available
 - 7.1 Chair of the Town Meeting - In case the Town Meeting Chair is not available within a reasonable time frame to carry out the duties described in this Policy, the Treasurer may substitute for the Town Meeting Chair. When possible, the Treasurer should consult with the Chair before taking action.
 - 7.2 Treasurer - In a similar situation the Project Administrator may substitute for the Treasurer with the same restrictions as in 7.1.
 - 7.3 Project Administrator - In a similar situation the Advisory Chair may substitute for the Project Administrator with the same restrictions as in 7.1.

NOTE: The following were on this *Ad Hoc* Committee: Alton Dahl (chair), Derrick Kennedy (secretary), Ron Meick, Sue Rothrock, Steve Threefoot

Steven that the Assembly needed to thank the *Ad Hoc* Committee Members for their work, and in particular to thank Alton for his efforts. Alton said that there were many good discussions, and there were no arguments among the group.

Alton reminded the Assembly that this is only a Policy of the Town Assembly, and it can be changed by a vote at any Town Meeting. He asked the Treasurer to begin putting together instructions for dealing with the investments the Town is about to receive.

TRUSTEES

Connie McKinney read the following Report:

Trustees Report June 23, 2008, Town Meeting

The Trustees have several items to report:

Trustee election: We are pleased to welcome S. Carl Falco as our new trustee. We thank the Registration Committee for their help in getting out the vote and the residents' participation in this election. We have had several meetings and are getting ourselves reorganized. Carl could not make tonight's meeting; however, we hope that, if you have not met Carl, that you introduce yourself to him.

Finances: We have copies of the First Quarter Report available tonight.

The Audit is finished by Corcoran and has been distributed to the Auditing Committee as well as Budget, Assessors, Town Chair, and the Town Treasurer. The financial documents were delivered to Corcoran & Co. by Brandywine Accounting on April 11, 2008, and the draft was completed on May 24, and e-mailed to the appropriate committees and board of assessors for comment. We did not receive any changes or corrections back from those committees. The Trustees had one alteration to clarify that the Sherwood Forest was not an Asset in the sense that we could sell it or develop it, and asked for some note making that clear. The final audit was delivered to us on June 16, 2008. We have discussed the timeline for next year with Corcoran and Co., and asked for delivery of the final draft by June 1, 2009. We would appreciate all appropriate committees to inform the Trustees of any changes promptly next year, so that we can keep to this schedule.

We have begun discussing how best to move Village Budget monies to a town account now that the town has re-instituted the Town Treasurer position. We are supportive of the new position and that process at present. Just to be clear—we are not be moving any Trust funds that are necessary to meet the fiduciary responsibilities of the Trustees along with a sufficient reserve as part of that process.

Now that it is one year later, we would like to report back to the town on the changeover of bookkeeping responsibilities to our new accounting firm, Brandywine Accounting. As we reported last year, we chose this firm because they met our four criteria: (1) location-15 minutes away; (2) more than one staff person; (3) good fit with our size; (4) affordable; and, this was a bonus point—they were a CPA firm. We have

had some challenges communicating how Arden monies are apportioned and, specifically, how some committees need their reports to give them a clear idea of their finances. As a municipality and a trust, things that might be obvious to us are a bit perplexing to those outside our borders. This is been an ongoing process and, no, not yet a perfect one. The firm has been very responsive to our requests and we are pleased with the service that we are receiving. We will keep you posted on our progress. Also, the new

Town Treasurer has met with the firm.

Insurance: This week, we will be having our annual meeting with Hornung Associates, our insurance firm and, since the BWVC Committee had some questions about their coverage, we have asked the chair, Willard Glenn, or representative of that Committee to join the meeting.

Outreach: We have developed an information packet to give to new leaseholders at settlement after receiving some feedback at the last Special Advisory Meeting. This idea was also presented to us at one of our Trustee Conversations by Felice Cressman with some input she received from new leaseholders. The packet has two memos with information that we thought would be most helpful immediately to a new leaseholder,

i.e. not to pay real estate taxes, tree cutting, trash collection, contact phone numbers, and a memo on the building permitting process. We are including the Civic Ordinance on Encroachments, the list of the rights-of-way, and the Forest Stewardship Policy. We would like to include an *Arden Book* unless the Registration Committee would prefer that they distribute that. Also, the Trustees have decided to hold two open meetings this year. We will use these meetings to have a conversation with resi-

dents about our various policies on subjects such as tree cutting, lot splitting, etc. The first meeting will be **Sunday, October 26**, 1-3pm, at the Buzz Ware Village Center. Please join us.

Respectfully submitted,
Connee McKinney, Arden Trustee

QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Jun 24, 08

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

ARDEN BUILDING & LOAN - TRUSTEE 159,720.64

TRUSTEES - WILMINGTON TRUST 47,441.50

VANGUARD

FUND 30 227,477.56

FUND 33 227,505.61

MSA - FUND 50 31,336.07

Total VANGUARD 486,319.24

Total Checking/Savings 693,481.38

Accounts Receivable

LAND RENT RECEIVABLE 24,020.36

Total Accounts Receivable 24,020.36

Total Current Assets 717,501.74

TOTAL ASSETS 717,501.74

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Other Current Liabilities

Deferred Revenue - Grants 2,360.31

Total Other Current Liabilities 2,360.31

Total Current Liabilities **2,360.31**

Total Liabilities 2,360.31

Equity

Fund Balance - Avery Property 726,091.00

Fund Balance - BWVC 27,702.00

Fund Balance - General Fund 125,906.55

Fund balance - Memorial Garden 11,013.33

Fund Balance - MSA Fund 41,132.30

Retained Earnings 4,232,445.90

Net Income 578,377.44

Total Equity 5,742,668.52

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY 5,745,028.83

	Mar 25 - Jun 24, 08	Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
BUZZ WARE VILLAGE CENTER	2,500.00	0.00
COMMONS	100.00	0.00
DONATIONS	0.00	0.00
GRANTS	0.00	950.00
Interest - Trustees Cking Acct	177.68	0.00
INVESTMENT INCOME	150.44	10,000.00
LAND RENT	541,752.87	564,423.00
LAND RENT FINANCE CHARGE	183.85	0.00
MEADOW LANE ACCESS	719.98	700.00
MEMORIAL GARDEN DONATIONS	3,430.00	0.00
RIGHTS-OF-WAY	7,534.87	18,700.00
Uncategorized Income	1,110.00	1,000.00
Total Income	557,659.69	595,773.00
Expense		
ADVISORY COMMITTEE	0.00	300.00
ARCHIVES	392.47	1,440.00
AVERY TASK FORCE	0.00	0.00
BOARD OF ASSESSORS	0.00	75.00
Budget Committee	0.00	0.00
BuzzWareVC COMMITTEE	0.00	6,500.00
BWVC	2,499.59	0.00
CIVIC	20,638.02	86,000.00
COMMUNITY PLANNING	0.00	1,600.00
CONTINGENCIES	0.00	3,000.00
CONTRIBUTIONS	0.00	5,250.00
FORESTS	950.00	5,000.00
GILD HALL RENTAL	0.00	1,300.00
GRANT EXPENSE	0.00	950.00
LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE	0.00	0.00
Loan Payable	2,090.90	16,176.00
MISCELLANEOUS EXP.	0.00	0.00
PLAYGROUND	40.00	3,000.00
REGISTRATION	0.00	1,000.00
SAFETY	600.00	4,400.00
TAXES	29.53	348,627.00
TOWN ADMINISTRATIVE EXP.	2,160.12	8,550.00
TOWN BOOKKEEPING SER Gross Wages	0.00	4,000.00
TOWN SECRETARY	1,380.00	5,004.00
TRUSTEE ADMINISTRATIVE	12,761.62	49,620.00
Uncategorized Expenses	0.00	0.00
MEM. GARDEN	529.99	0.00
Total Expense	44,072.24	551,792.00
Net Ordinary Income	513,587.45	43,981.00

Danny Schweers had questions about the Income Section, where there were several items that had financial activity, yet no projected budget. Connee said that there are some items, like interest on checking accounts, grants, rentals, etc. which cannot be estimated with any degree of certainty, but from a bookkeeping standpoint, they must put in a budget figure, even if it is \$0.00. Danny asked about a budget estimate for Memorial Garden Donations, and Connee said that you cannot really estimate donations, which meant that the projected budget was \$0.00. Danny said he was used to people making "guesstimates" for the amounts that might come in.

Danny asked about the category Donations, and Connee said this is for the Town's donations to ACRA, the Arden Library, local fire companies, and the Arden Page.

Danny asked about the expense for the bookkeeping services of Brandywine Accounting, and it looked like the \$2,500 charged to that category would indicate that their costs will be over budget. Elizabeth Varley said that there had been some confusion on this category, and there had been included a charge of \$500 from a previous fiscal year. After that is corrected, that expense category should be OK.

Denis O'Regan asked about the \$22,000 in Land Rent Arrears. Were this considered as un-collectable, some paying late, or other problem? Also, how did this year's percentage compare to previous years Arrears? Connee said that most of the Arrears should be settled quickly, but there were other leaseholders that pay throughout the year. Most of the Arrears go away by the end of the fiscal year, and the Village is very fortunate in that regard. There had been one major exception that went on for several years before it was resolved, but that truly was an exception. Dennis asked if it had been cleared up, and Connee said it had been done. Elizabeth Varley said that overall, the Town is in much better shape regarding Arrears than it had been in previous years.

The Report was Accepted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

David Michelson introduced himself to the Assembly as the new Town Treasurer. (Applause!) He thanked Connee for giving the Financial Report for him at this Meeting. David said that he has been working on the following projects:

- Developing a permanent Town Office at the BWVC
- Working with the Trustees to delineate what are Village Funds and what are Trustee Funds.
- Learning the ropes of the job.
- Starting his investment responsibilities (David remarked that he just had found out about this tonight.)

He has been talking with Town Officials, Trustees, committee chairs, and others to learn what they do, and what are their financial reporting requirements.

Jeff Politis suggested that in the future the Treasurer should make the Quarterly Financial Report for the Town's expenses, and Steven said that this would be done.

The Report was Accepted

ADVISORY

Bill Theis thanked Elizabeth Varley for chairing the last Advisory Committee Meeting.

Advisory Report - June 23, 2008

Steven Threefoot has contacted the Town's Attorney regarding the ability of a Delaware Municipality to accept a substantial gift. The Attorney will advise the Town Chair when this process is complete.

A new Trustee Carl Falco has been confirmed, and has been involved with meetings and activities. The Trustees reported they have been drafting a new packet of materials to give to new leaseholders.

The Archives Committee is trying to get the oral history project going again.

The Audit Committee has received the Draft of the Annual Audit, and is reviewing it.

The Buzz Ware Village Center Committee has corrected the problems of the Emergency Call List. Security Instruments will no longer handle the monitoring of the system. Brandywine Accounting had concerns regarding the custodial arrangement at the Buzz. The Committee is working on resolving the situation. Also, a thorough review of insurance policies covering the Center will occur. New windows are presently being installed in the building.

Community Planning has mailed the ADU letters, and the documentation process has begun. The county will accept the Arden certification. Please return your application to Larry Walker, Town Secretary, as soon as possible. There are still some questions to be resolved.

There had been an inquiry about splitting a lot. The Trustees reported that they were against this, but did want a well-thought-out procedure in place prior to any approval.

Respectfully submitted,

William L. Theis, Chairman

The Report was Accepted.

SAFETY COMMITTEE

Denis O'Regan reported that compared to other years, things are quiet. There are still reports of loud cars and fireworks, but overall it has been quiet, which has made the Committee very happy.

There were reports of a small fire in Sherwood Forest. Pat Morrison went to the site, and it was a campfire that did not really start because it was too wet. It turned out to be much ado about something everyone needs to be watching for. Town Watch patrols are not asked to walk in the Woods because it is too dark and dangerous, but to call the police to investigate. In the past when there was a major "event" at night at Indian Circle, the police response was good.

A person spoke to Denis about re-installing the police speed traps, since the traffic speed limit machine was not doing the job, in her opinion. Comparing the flashing speed limit indicator to a police speed trap, the Committee felt the speed trap was not as cost effective.

Alton Dahl asked how much it cost to have a two-hour speed trap. Denis said it cost \$45 per hour, and it was for a four-hour minimum. Only one or two tickets are normally issued during those periods.

Rodney Jester wanted a One Way sign installed at the start of Sherwood Road at March Road, and he also wanted the sign painted on the road itself. A trash truck going the wrong way on Sherwood Road had almost hit him there. Denis said that a few months ago they had put additional DO NOT ENTER signs on Sherwood at Hill-side Road.

David Michelson asked about the Safety Committee plans for spending the remaining funds in the Traffic Calming Initiative Grant, and Denis said that those funds did not go through the Safety Committee.

Hugh Roberts said that there were days when the flashing Speed Limit sign did not work for several days while it was sitting next to Harvey Road. Denis was not aware of that, but he will check to confirm they will not be billed for those days when the sign did not work.

Marianne Cinaglia said that the Fourth of July is coming up, and she wanted to know the Safety Committee's policy on fireworks. Denis said that illegal fireworks set off on the Fourth of July and at other times are covered clearly by Ordinance No. 7. He asked that any fireworks be reported to the NCC Police, using the non-emergency phone number. Denis strongly opposed consumer fireworks, and that causes most of the injuries to individuals. Marianne suggested that next year a notice be put in the June ARDEN PAGE about illegal fireworks and calling the police.

Ruth Panella had a major concern about cars running the Orleans-Harvey traffic light when it is red. Denis said that the NCC Police are aware, but to date on one has seen a police officer take any action at that site. Denis said that the Police are aware of this problem intersection, and the neighbors have heard the crashes of many accidents. However, the Police only seem to pay lip service to the problem.

The Report was Accepted

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

The Registration Committee conducted the Referendum to confirm Carl Falco as Arden Trustee, with the votes counted on April 7, 2008. With 360 eligible voters, a total of 181 YES votes were needed. There was 63% participation, as 244 residents voted. Carl received 236 YES votes, and 8 NO votes. He was Confirmed as Trustee, replacing Aaron Hamburger.

Respectfully submitted,
Cecilia Vore, Chair

She added that she had recused herself from this election, and she thanked the rest of the Committee for doing a fine job.

The Report was Accepted

PLAYGROUND

During the past Quarter, the required Playground Equipment Inspections were made, and one Inspection was conducted right before the ACRA Program started. All equipment was "adult tested" to ensure safety. Additional wood mulch was placed under the equipment behind the Buzz Ware Village Center, and the Committee would like to thank Wayne Hull for his assistance with his equipment to spread the large load around.

The horses from the north end of the Village Green were removed, and repainted by Sue Rothrock. (Larry pointed them out, where they were sitting next to the information table at the Hall entrance.) The Committee wanted to thank her for her wonderful, artistic work. They will be re-installed after a few parts are received.

Submitted by

Larry Walker, Co-Chair

Sadie Somerville asked about when the concrete tunnels would be repainted. Larry said that Carol Larsen volunteered to do the painting, and the Committee will provide the paint and the equipment.

The Report was Accepted

FOREST

The Report was given by Elizabeth Varley

Forest Committee Report to Arden Town Assembly June 23, 2008.

REPORT OF THE FOREST COMMITTEE

At the March Town Assembly, Alan Burslem was elected as a new member and Elizabeth Varley as a returning member.

Mary Marconi agreed to be chair, and Ruth Panella to be Secretary.

The Woods Cleanup on April 19 was a success. Community Planning & Forest both provided refreshments at the Buzz.

A request for a Variance for 28 Weilers Bend in Buckingham Greene to build an addition onto the house, which is adjacent to our forest, was approved by the New Castle Co. Board of Adjustment. Mary and Ruth looked at the site prior to the meeting, and then the Committee wrote a letter to the Board (with Marianne Cinaglia's input) that listed our concerns about runoff and the potential problems during construction to nearby trees. Mary attended the hearing with Mike Curtis to deliver the letter, and voice our concerns.

The Ardens G3 committee requested an addition to our Forest Stewardship Policy "that would prevent the use of toxic chemicals in the forests for the treatment of any of the maladies mentioned in the policy." Alton offered an alternate proposal that the Forest Committee's first choice would be "not to use" toxic chemicals, and only as a second choice, to use if necessary. The Committee voted unanimously for Alton's alternative.

The Trustees will address our concern about building projects bordering the woodlands, with leaseholders that apply for a building permit. They will include in

their packet a copy of the relevant parts of the Forest Stewardship Policy, and point out to the leaseholder any trees or plants that may be vulnerable to nearby construction.

Encroachment continues to be an issue that we discuss at every meeting.

The Committee would like to thank Felice Cressman and Carol Larson for agreeing to be unofficial members of our Committee, and offering to help with projects and expert advice

Elizabeth Varley attended a seminar on ancient and veteran trees, held at the Morris Arboretum. It was well worth the time, and the Committee now has materials to refer to when looking at some of our older trees.

Next meeting will be July 2nd at 7 p.m. at the end of Hillside Rd, weather permitting, or in the Library.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Marconi

David Nordheimer said he hoped the G3 Committee was going to take an active role in dealing with the invasives in our forests, which is a big job. He hoped that the Forest Committee would be "hands on" in dealing with invasives.

Beverly Barnett said that there was a schedule in the Stewardship Policy with a time frame for doing a particular task, like removing Norway Maples in July. Elizabeth thanked Beverly for the reminder, and said that the Committee needs to address this. They have a schedule in mind, but it has not yet been put on paper.

Sally Sharp asked about the many dead trees on the Sherwood Forest Annex along March Road. Elizabeth said that this will be looked at.

The Report was Accepted

COMMUNITY PLANNING

Ray Siegfried reported that the Committee met three times since the last Town Meeting, and Danny Schweers had placed the Minutes of the Meetings on the Town's web site for full disclosure. In April, they discussed the proposed shopping mall at Naamans Road and U.S. Route 202. Since then, the plans were withdrawn, so there was no variance hearing to attend. The members met with the Trustees about a request from a leaseholder on splitting a lot, and they discussed the individual situation. Since the lot size was about 13,000 sq. ft., the two proposed lots would not meet NCC's zoning minimum requirement of 10,000 sq. ft. per lot. Also, the situation did not meet the Trustees' requirement for hardship. So, there was no recommendation to split the lot.

There was a problem with the ADU Letter that was sent out to all Residents, for there was no addressed return envelope included in the mailing. He reminded everyone to whom this might apply to fill out the form, and return to the Village Secretary as soon as possible. If there is uncertainty whether this applies to your situation, he asked people to fill it out anyway, and return it. At this time, there are eleven leaseholds that do not meet the strict definition of an ADU when using the NCC criteria. There will be continuing discussion with the Land Use Department to work things out so that these problem leaseholds can be included in the Certification. The forms must be returned by the end of June 2008.

Alton Dahl said that he was surprised when he read in the ADU letter that the Arden ADUs would have to meet the new NCC requirement for ADUs. He did not

recall any mention in any previous discussion that required the present ADUs in Arden to meet the new county requirements. Alton felt it would be unacceptable for the process to go forward with that last minute requirement.

Ray said that the difficulty was in leaseholds that had three or more domiciles, since the County would only allow one extra domiciles on a single property. The goal of the future discussions will be to develop a method to allow those situations to be certified by the Town, along with the other ADUs.

Steven said that the discussions with Land Use were to develop a way to grandfather in those Arden situations with ADUs so that they could become legal and non-conforming in the County's records. Ray said that they wanted to get those 11 properties certified, even though it might be a slightly different process. But they will get certified.

Alton was very concerned that this requirement was included at the end of this process, and hoped that it could be changed. Otherwise, he felt the process would have to be stopped, and the whole process started over again without the requirement for Arden's ADUs having to meet the new NCC requirements and definitions for ADUs.

Connee McKinney spoke as a leaseholder. She said, first, that the Community Planning Committee had an awesome job to do, and they had to find a path forward. There were many meetings as a part of the process, as everyone tried to untangle this mess. On one side, Arden wanted to make its situations legal, while the County had its requirements and regulations. Both sides worked to find the middle way forward. Connee had attended several of those meetings, and she emphatically said that the County was very supportive of Arden in its efforts. She felt that the Community Planning Committee was correct in their interpretation of the legislation that had been passed. The County wanted to clear this up: they do not want any more trouble about this. Connee did not feel that this was an issue, and that the County would bend over backwards to make the problem go away. She was sure Ray and his Committee would find another way forward for this problem, and the certifications can be accomplished.

Beverly Barnett said that if there are 11 situations that do not meet the County definitions of an ADU, and there are 30 Arden leaseholds with ADUs, then it is a pretty large percentage, making it a big problem. Ray said they have in recent weeks worked with Land Use to find places in the Zoning Code where these could fit in, and then the certification process can move forward for those individual situations. Arden has a hodgepodge of situations, and Land Use and Community Planning were working to make these fit in.

Bill Theis was concerned with the three and four domicile situations where the houses and buildings were built prior to 1954. Ray said that there is good documentation that those houses and buildings existed prior to Re-Incorporation. Mike Curtis said that in 1967 the Town came under the County Zoning Code, and at that time the game changed. Ray said that the grandfathering is straight forward, but allowing one of those domiciles to be rebuilt is what they are dealing with now.

Jeff Politis said that it was clear to everyone that the Village wanted to grandfather in all ADUs, including the eleven problem ones. He wondered if the process should be stopped until it was clear that those 11 problem ADUs could be included. Steven said that he would not certify any ADUs until all of those 11 were included, because that was the intent of the Motion by the Assembly two years ago.

Alton asked if Ray really wanted leaseholders to turn in those forms even if they were not sure if their situation applied. Ray said that they should, and his Committee will contact those leaseholders that had not turned in their forms to ensure that they were included.

The Report was Accepted

CIVIC

Town Meeting- Civic Committee – June 23, 2008

The Civic Committee had it's first meeting of the year and voted Sue Rothrock(yours truly) the Chair of the Committee.

The Field Theater seats have been power washed and refinished, and the sign board has been finished. I would like to thank the Shakespeare Gild for providing the energy efficient lighting system. The Field Theater is available for private rental or for public use. Electricity and lights are available. Please contact the Civic Committee or the Secretary of the Village for a permit form. Permit forms are also available on line at theardens.com.

The Electronics Recycling Day was a success, with a truckload and a trailer load full of recyclables collected. We will not have the large trash pickup this year. Most items can be put out in the regular trash. Any items containing refrigerants can not be put out for regular pickup and must be taken to the landfill. Larry Walker can provide this service for a fee. Please consider donating "good" items to a charitable foundation.

Road repair work will be starting soon. We will also be painting the speed humps this year.

We will be placing a new bulletin board in front of the Buzz Ware Center. It will be the same design as the one on the Arden Green. Ads for services the size of a business card are acceptable. Otherwise they will be removed because of overcrowding on the board.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Rothrock

Sadie Somerville wanted to know when the speed humps would be repainted. Sue said that it is planned for during the summer, and before the fall.

Cecilia Vore said that the materials, equipment, and electrical work for the new lighting at the Field Theater was valued at over \$3,000, and it was donated to the Shakespeare Gild. In addition, this included the labor valued at \$2,000 for the installation, which was donated by a member of the Shakespeare Gild.. She asked that the Town thank the donors for their generosity, and the Gild for their efforts in making this happen. (Applause)

Elizabeth Varley felt that the new speed bumps on Wind Lane were dangerous because they were incorrectly installed. She said they were built too high, and there are deep scrape marks where cars have bottomed out. Elizabeth asked the Committee to look at them.

The Report was Accepted

BUZZ WARE VILLAGE CENTER

There was no Report. Steven mentioned that the new windows are being installed, and that ACRA started today.

BUDGET

There was no Report

AUDIT

The Report of the Audit Committee – June 23, 2008

Cookie and I reviewed and discussed the Audit report, which was standard audit report, and we found everything to be in order. We received an “unqualified” audit opinion.

Corcoran and Company made some comments regarding some of the grants:

First, there is still \$993 from the State of Delaware Department of Transportation – Traffic Calming Initiative that needs to be used by March 24, 2009;

Second, there is \$651 left in the trail maintenance activities from the State of Delaware Department of Natural Resources & Environmental Control – Division of Parks and Recreation, and this needs to be used by March 24, 2009;

Third, there is \$950 for trail maintenance activities from the State of Delaware Department of Natural Resources & Environmental Control – Division of Parks and Recreation, and it needs to be used by March 24, 2009.

Reported by ,

David Michelson.

Copies of the Annual Audit are available, and the entire report will be posted on the web site.

The Report was Accepted

ARCHIVES

We will again sponsor Remembrance Day on October 19 at Gild Hall. We will be remembering journalists Bill Frank, Cy Liberman and Betty Burrows. Please join us for what promises to be a very interesting afternoon. Thanks to Ruth Bean for leading this effort. Groups hosted at the Museum recently included a group of graduate students from Winterthur, led by Laura Wallace, a group from the Henry George School, and a group from the National Parks Service National Historic Register as part of our Landmark application. We are planning to hold training (or retraining) sessions on using our PastPerfect software to catalog the collection. If you're interested, please let me know. We have found a resource to help digitize our oral history tapes, to help preserve them. This is an intermediate step to transcribing them. Debbie Ricard reports that Afternoon With The Artist is fully booked for 2008. The next artist will be Lew Aumack, on July 20. Due to last year's success, we are again planning to be open on Arden Fair day, Saturday, August 30, from 11 to 4. Sunday, too, regular museum hours, 1 to 3.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Mullinax, Chair

Laura Wallace said that she and Rodney Jester had led the tours. Lisa agreed with the correction.

The Report was Accepted

CRAFT SHOP AND MUSEUM

Alton Dahl reported that all apartments continue to be rented, and things are going along as anticipated. There has been no change in renters for quite some time. The looming concern will be expenses for oil heating, a big problem, and alternatives are being looked at. No decision has been made..

Cecilia Vore asked if the stone wall on the Cherry Lane side of the building will be re-pointed in the future. Alton said that their architect had explained to them that the wall had been built in a style with deeply recessed pointing. That wall was not a structural wall for the building. Ed Rohrbach said that their architect was wrong. When the wall was put up, the masons used an "all lime" mortar, and since then, the mortar has been eroding away. It now is flaking when touched, and Ed said that the wall was not in good shape.

The Report was Received.

OLD BUSINESS

Jeff Politis brought up the issue of the Town making a financial contribution to the legal efforts to appeal the FAA's recently issued proposed flight pattern for the Philadelphia Airport. At the March Town Meeting, Jeff had made the following Motion

MOVED, The Village of Arden will voluntarily contribute to the legal expenses of the FAA Lawsuit, and the amount will be \$1,000.

The Motion had been Seconded, and after a discussion, it was Tabled.

Jeff wanted to revise his Motion so that the Town would set up a tax-exempt fund to receive donations from individuals who wanted to support this legal effort. The Town would donate \$1,000 to this fund, and officially notify Ardentown and Ardencroft of the availability of this tax-exempt fund, which their residents could contribute to.

The Motion was Seconded.

Gary Quinton wanted to know the basis of the \$1,000 figure. In light of the Town's financial issues, he felt it was too high. He asked Jeff if he would approve a Motion to lower the figure to \$100.

Jeff, who made the Motion, would not accept the Amendment, nor would Peter Renzetti, the Secunder, accept the Amendment. Jeff said that the increased flights over Arden will be a problem that will last for many years, and the \$1,000 contribution would only be a minimum amount.

Alton made the following Motion to Amend:

MOTION TO AMEND, the Town would donate \$100 as seed money.

The Motion to Amend was Seconded.

David Nordheimer spoke against the Motion to Amend, as he felt \$100 was a ridiculously low amount for a contribution to a legal fund. Lynda Kolski said at the last Town Meeting, Ray Siegfried has said that more information was needed before

setting an amount for the Town's donation. Since no additional information had been received, she was not ready to approve a large financial donation. She supported the \$100 figure, but said that later on that amount could be raised if people knew more what this money would be used for. She wanted to be prudent now.

There was a Call for the Question on the Motion to Amend. They "Ayes" had it, and the figure for the donation was set at \$100. The discussion then returned to the Amended Motion.

Betty O'Regan asked where the \$100 would come from in the Town's Budget. Steven said it would come from the Contingencies. Ed Rohrbach asked in which court would the suit be filed. Steven said that it had been filed in the Federal Appeals Court. Ed asked if anyone knew the success rate in suits filed against the FAA, and no one knew. Ed said he would not vote on this Motion, or any motion with money as a part, until he had more information.

David Nordheimer said that in Orange County, CA, the residents had united against the proposed flight pattern, and they paid for the legal appeal, which was successful. The result was a rapid landing and a rapid departure from that airport. We need to show strong local support, and he offered the following Motion to Amend:

MOTION TO AMEND, The Town would any individual donation up to \$2,000 each year for the duration of this lawsuit.

The Motion was Seconded,

There was a Call for the Question, and the Motion was defeated.

Lynda Kolski said that the Residents and Town Assembly need more information so they can better vote on the issue. If the Town wanted to go ahead, only then should there be the discussion of the amount for the Town to contribute.

Lizzie Broadbent spoke in favor of the Motion. She said that the Village had spent a lot of money to buy the Avery Property, and on the Buckingham Green lawsuit. The problem with the airplane noise is that this affects our lives and sanity, and the values of our homes. A similarly large amount of money should be donated by the Town for those legal expenses. This is an important issue that needs Town financial support.

Ray Siegfried said that there is a lot of noise from the airplanes when you are outside. He wanted more information so that he could vote intelligently. He said he would at this time vote against the Motion, though he felt it was an important issue.

Jeff Politis spoke in favor of his Motion. A \$100 donation equates to 15 minutes of a lawyer's time, and it is ridiculous and shameful. This issue is more frequently discussed as a quality of life issue, than other things that the Town has spent a lot on. Other towns are actively pursuing their positions, and we need to put our money where our mouth is. Otherwise, our quality of life will suffer.

Danny Schweers felt that this was an important issue, but the amount of \$100 is shameful. Unfortunately, there was not enough information to make a decision. Bringing up this Motion was a good start to the process, and hopefully more information will be available at the next Town Meeting. Then the Town could raise its contribution, if it wanted. If the Town were to make a financial contribution, it might encourage others to donate. He will vote for the Amended Motion.

Cecilia Vore said that this Town Meeting was relatively small, typical for June, but it is too small a group at this late hour to make a major decision on a substantial dona-

tion. She felt the important part was to set up a fund, so tax-free contributions could be accepted. The idea is good, but she would prefer that the Town's contribution be a part of the Annual Budget, so it could be voted on by Referendum.

Jeff asked residents to refer to past Town Meeting Minutes to learn about the court. Legal costs, etc.

Hugh Roberts felt it would be better for everyone to have more information before voting on this Motion, wanted all of these Motions Tabled until the next Meeting.

The Motion to Table was passed 22-15 with a hand count.

NEW BUSINESS

Alton Dahl asked the Registration Committee to set up for an election of the Project Administrator at the September Town Meeting.

Beverly Barnett asked the Community Planning Committee to come to the Town Meeting with answers to the questions raised about airplane noise and the lawsuit at this Town Meeting.

GOOD AND WELFARE

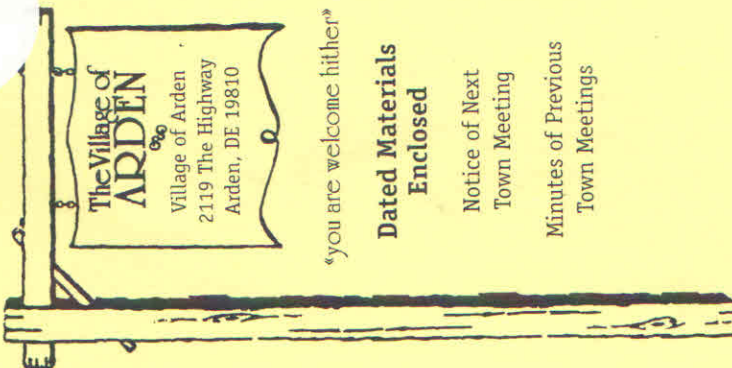
Cecilia Vore wanted to thank neighbors who have been sending her son Jack Falco letters while he is in Army Basic Training. He has greatly appreciated those letters.

Larry Walker said that Wally Scott had emergency abdominal surgery today, but a full recovery is expected.

There was a Motion for Adjournment, which was Seconded and Approved.

Submitted by,

Larry Walker
Secretary to the Village



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